

Feminine Fancy Turns Toward Wider Skirts

For the benefit of the vast army of England's blind a wonderful fancy dress ball was recently given. A wealthy man, himself blind, suggested the idea, and with sympathetic interest English society generally responded. The Savoy Hotel offered the use of its wonderful ball room, a wealthy Scotchman sent the money for the supper, and others offered to defray other expenses until the costs of the ball were paid for and the entrance fees clear profit.



A Stylish Outing Costume of White Linen with Tunic and Waist Trimming of Pique

Like Solomon in all his glory came the beaux and belles of London town arrayed in cubist and futurist costumes, in Elizabethian ruff and also Roman toga; but most prominent of all were the costumes of the early Victorian crinolines. Many ruffled skirts, over stiffly swinging hoops, and quaint old waists, with the then fashionable dropped shoulder lines, gave the students of Dame Fashion's whims and fancies an inkling of what the feminine mind is looking for in the near future. Surely it must mean the women are tired of the tight skirts, if, when allowed the freedom as to choice of style, not one nor, two, but many turn toward the period of greatest width of skirt.

Not only in England was there a great social event which showed this tendency, but in Paris also a wonderful "Bal en Crinolines" was given by the Duchesse de Gramont, where all the costumes were of this period.

This does not mean that we will necessarily have a revival of the early Victorian styles in all their quaint loveliness, for the women of today are widely different creatures from the womanly home-makers of that generation. She is not less womanly, but she leads a different life; therefore she will demand the style suggested by that time, but made to suit her own life—one belonging to the period in which she lives. Nor will the new gowns resemble the old portraits of this fashion any more than did last year's panniers resemble the panniers of Louis XIV, from which the designs were taken.

However, the greatest thing to be dreaded in adapting this style is exaggeration, which alas, is to be dreaded in all styles. Charming, indeed, are the ruffled skirts if their width is kept within bounds; but, if given the expansion allowed the early part of last century, will only again prove to what lengths women will go for the sake of dress.

Mingling with these Victorian suggestions are the long Russian tunics, which have held their own because of their many variations. Apron tunics, scalloped tunics, tunics gradually narrowing in front, double tunics and tunics which start at the hip-line are only a few of the many ways in which tunic effects are applied.

Just as diverse as the tunics are the combinations of fabrics. One model

shows an overwaist in basque effect made in velvet, worn over a long sleeved tulle guimpe and with a skirt whose tight-fitting foundation shows through a filmy, shimmering tunic of tulle.

Chemise dresses inspired by the moyen age frocks are being worn indiscriminately by stout and slim alike—sometimes with dire results. A frock which hangs like a sacque from the shoulders to the heels is scarcely becoming to a well-developed figure, whose charms may be displayed in many of the other smart styles. But when donned by a slender woman whose charm is youthful buoyancy, it is irresistible. These gowns give a silhouette quite different from the conventionalized one of the day, aptly called the plumbline silhouette. Satin seems to be replacing taffeta in popularity of the public, but serges and gabardines are continuing their vogue, and for the tailored costume nothing is quite so smart. Usually braid in various widths, plain in weave, binds and trims these suits.

The new style of dress called the coat dress, with its waist resembling a coat, yet fastened to the skirt, thus making a one piece dress, is admirably adapted to this mode of trimming. These dresses are having a tremendous vogue in Paris and no doubt are a forerunner of suits with long coats.

The jumper waists which are worn over guimpes of tulle, organdy and chiffon suggest a charming and practical way of remodeling an old gown into the newest styles. These jumpers are made in figured and plain material, with edges bound and wrinkled carelessly across the hips. Sometimes they are finished with a sash of the same fabric, and again with a sash of richly contrasting color.

Sashes are a happy thought for summer and winter dresses, as they permit the use of a bit of rich color to charm the eye and please the color sense. The mummy sash which swathe the body, twined from the hips, if artificially used on a slender figure, is most effective.

The bottoms of tunics and skirts are cut in points, scallops and squares bound with bias strips of silk or with woven braid. This is a unique finish which adds a distinct style note to a dress, and one which is often easier to accomplish than to turn a hem or add a facing.

The vogue for materials in striped effects, such as golfine, corduroy, corded velour and fancy striped woolen fabrics, has given an added zest to the use of that staple standby, pique. It is used in combination with linen of both light and heavy qualities; for



A Desirable Coat on the New Lithe Lines Which are the Vogue

trimming it is unexcelled in its smartness. On waists of voile, handkerchief linen, crepe de Chine, and organdy, pique is used to make the collars, cuffs and vest fronts. My first illustration shows a charming

dress of combined linen and pique. The waist and lower skirt are of linen, while the long tunic and waist trimmings are of pique. For the weekend trips to the seashore and the belated vacation in the mountains this will be found an unusually practical dress; to this, if desired, a smart cape coat in pique can be added.

Another addition, which may be made so practical as to serve for wear during the Fall as well, is the stylish redingote in my second illustration. This may be made of linen or golfine for the warmer weather and for motoring, but in serge, garbarine or whipcord it makes a stunning coat for general wear.

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WADSWORTH

A new baseball park has been opened at East and Park streets, and the first game was played Sunday between the Walkovers of Akron and the Wadsworth team.

Harry B. Clark of Cleveland is spending his vacation visiting his parents and other Wadsworth friends.

Dr. R. L. Johnson went to Vasser, Mich., Saturday, where he will visit his aged parents and return with Mrs. Johnson and children on Tuesday.

John Hockensmith, who recently suffered a stroke of paralysis, was able to walk down town Friday.

The Raser family, among the pioneers of Wadsworth, held their annual reunion at Leatherman's grove Saturday and had a large attendance. Frank and Mrs. Siegfried are at Phillipsburg, Pa., where they will attend the Siegfried reunion and spend a week visiting relatives.

No trace has yet been found of the robbers who entered the Thomas Finch residence on Walnut street, stealing four one-dollar bills from a purse, or the ones who broke open a shed belonging to J. C. Stoll and stole about \$7 worth of supplies from his grocery wagon.

About 50 relatives of the Colburn-Dean families met in the annual reunion at the residence of Herschel Clark on Saturday.

Dr. J. W. Buchanan of Smithville is optimistic in regard to the building of the new electric line from Cleveland through Wadsworth and Rittman to Wooster. In a recent interview he stated that the road will positively be built, and that it will be built through Smithville.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Young left Tuesday morning for an extensive automobile trip to Michigan.

Mrs. J. K. Durling and daughter Cora have left for several weeks vacation at Lakeside on Lake Erie.

Dr. C. B. Etter and family left Tuesday morning for an extended trip through Pennsylvania, stopping at Pittsburg and Chambersburg. On the two Sundays of Rev. Mr. Etter's absence there will be no church services at the Lutheran church, Sunday school alone being held.

Mrs. Bertha Dresler, of Akron, and Albie Bricker and family, of Barberton, were Sunday visitors of H. H. Bricker.

Mrs. Hattie Pursell is spending the week with relatives in Kent.

Jacob Detwiler has been critically ill during the past week. On Saturday very little hope was entertained for him, but he was improved Monday.

Rev. Samuel Youckey and wife, of Kingston, O., are visiting his brothers Hiram and William Youckey, at this place. Rev. Mr. Youckey was formerly a Wadsworth boy, having been ordained as minister in the old round church here 47 years ago.

David Gunsauls and family, of Kalamazoo county, Mich., are visiting relatives here, and will attend the Gunsauls reunion here this month.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker of near West Salem, former residents of this place, spent Sunday in Wadsworth.

W. B. Lee and wife spent Sunday in Lodi.

Mr. and Mrs. John Richard have returned from a 10 days' visit in Illinois.

F. S. Overholt and wife attended the Smithville chautauqua on Saturday night.

Eleven Wadsworth boys returned Saturday night from the Y. M. C. A. camp outing at the East Reservoir after a 10 days' stay. An important event of the camp life was the hike to Akron and trip through the factory of the Goodyear Rubber Co. on Thursday.

The little daughter of John Wall, south of town, was seriously injured when she slipped from a wagon in motion and fell under the wheels. The heavy vehicle passed over her breast, crushing her lungs and breaking several ribs. She is getting along as well as can be expected.

The first Sunday ball game witnessed in Wadsworth for many years resulted in a defeat of the locals by the Walk-Overs of Akron. The score was 10 to 3.

VALLEY CITY

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Knap of Lansing, Mich., and Miss Bertha Mack and Alert Schreiber of Detroit, were visitors at Got. Mack's and family this week.

The Weidner reunion will be held Saturday, Aug. 22, in F. W. Weidner's grove.

Mr. Edwin Lasch met with a misfortune last week Thursday while tearing down an old building belonging to Theo. Gunkleman. The porch gave way precipitating him about ten feet. His arm was lacerated very seriously. He is on his road to recovery.

Mr. F. A. Weidner, of S. E. River road spent the week with relatives in Cleveland.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Newtwin of Detroit, are spending several weeks at Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Schneider's.

Mr. Joseph Menner is on the sick list.

Mr. Henry Detrick of Lester road, is the proud possessor of a new auto. Mr. Clinton Murphy of Wood county is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Buchard, on Columbia road.

Mr. Albert Broads of Troy, O., is visiting his old friends here this week. W. S. Ogilvy of Berea was a caller in our city Saturday.

Mr. Anthony Howe, wife and son of Cleveland spent Sunday at Charles Wolfe's on S. E. River road.

Prof. E. J. Divire and family have returned after spending their vacation with friends and relatives in the central part of the state.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bayer of W. Main street spent Sunday in Cleveland visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Rollo Stranahan of Akron attended the Moehle reunion Sunday.

Mrs. Bertha Hasel is spending her vacation at her uncle's, Mr. C. Lehman's, at Belden.

On Saturday evening, C. Clayton Guenke and his little brother Franklin took a trip on their bicycles to Erhart. On their way home Clayton had the misfortune to meet an obstruction in the road, falling from his bicycle and severely bruising his face.

The board of education gave Mr. John Obermiller the contract of janitor for the ensuing year at \$49 per month.

The Valley City flour mills are running day and night to keep up with their orders for flour, since war in foreign countries has created a demand for our food products.

Miss Edna Platz of Valley City and Mr. Willis Reichard of Grafton were quietly married Tuesday noon at the Zion's Lutheran church, by Rev. G. Kuehner. They intend making their future home in Elyria.

Miss Gladys Martin left Thursday to spend several days in Lakewood.

Mrs. Joseph Laule and children are spending the week at J. A. Sailor's.

Miss Lorena Zacharias has returned home after a prolonged visit with relatives in Cleveland.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerbitz and son, Miss Bertha Hauck, Mrs. Kadels, Mrs. Hayes, Mrs. Gallagher and Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Moore and son were visitors at Mr. Fred Hauck's and Mr. John Hauck's.

Miss Clara Frank is going to have an operation on her tonsils.

There has been a moving picture show, held by members of St. Mary's church during the past week.

Mr. Fred Hauck is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Arnold, of Cleveland and Mr. and Mrs. Miller of Wellington were guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Arnold, and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Steosacker on Sunday.

Mrs. John Feesee and children spent several days last week with Mrs. J. Worth and Mrs. B. Miller.

Miss Martha Appleby left Friday for Erie, Pa., and from there she intends taking an auto trip with friends to Tyrone, Pa.

The base ball game p'ayed here last Sunday with Bennetts Corners was in our favor, score being 4 to 7.

Mr. Walter Kess and Mr. Adam Kess and family of Cleveland were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Derck on Sunday.

Miss Amanda Plutz and Miss Freda Meckle of Detroit, are spending their

vacation with Mrs. Emil Plutz on Mapleale avenue.

The dry cleaning establishment is doing rushing business. They soon will have to hire more employees. But in spite of that the proprietor took Sunday off to play ball.

Mrs. Burns of Granite City, Ill., is home helping take care of her mother, Mrs. E. D. Bennett.

The township trustees and the county commissioners should call a joint meeting and decide on the location of the inter-county road for Liverpool. It should be the main road north and south from York township to Columbia township as that would be satisfactory to all. Our advice to them, Don't procrastinate any longer.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Prescher of Cleveland were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Prescher on Sunday.

Mrs. Edith Brintnall and daughter Ruth of Medina are spending the week with Dr. Roy Brintnall and family.

Mrs. A. J. Berndsen and daughter are spending several weeks with her mother, Mrs. Fred Barchard.

The Bay-Zacharias reunion will be held on Labor day at H. L. Bay's on West Main street.

The county commissioners were here Monday to look up the repair of the North River road and concluded to grade the hill near Henry Weidner's much to the disappointment of the petitioners.

FARM FACTS.

Those who till the soil are the chosen people of God.

Farming is as old as the human race and is yet in its infancy.

Success is bound to come to the farmer who plans while he plows.

No civilization has ever advanced beyond its agricultural development.

No farmer is successful who thinks more of his barn than he does of his home.

The development of the farmer himself must precede the full development of the ground he tills.

The most beautiful fact in the farmer's work is that everything he plants is a lesson in faith.

The best farmer does not bother about getting ahead of his neighbor; his great business is to get ahead of himself.

We must give to the people who live on the farm the same educational advantages for their children as those that the cities enjoy.

The country clergy is an agency of much potentiality because the rural life movement is religious as well as industrial and social.

There should be a social and an industrial survey of every community. The pastor, the teacher and the school and church officials are they who should make such a survey.

In a recent survey of a community in New England, the average annual income of 154 farmers who have common school education was \$229, while the average net income of 122 farmers of the same locality with a high school education was \$482 annually. This was worth to each farmer who possessed it \$253 each year.

COPLEY

Miss Hattie Scoggs from Delaware college spent last week with Lula Smith.

Mrs. Le Smith and Mrs. Carrie Taylor visited at Fred Scholley's at East Liberty last Friday.

The 12th annual reunion of the Griswold family was held at the home of Warren Griswold at Sharon last week. There were 32 present. The next one will be at the home of C. J. Houghlan on Grand avenue, Akron.

R. J. Dallings and family and Charles Smith and wife were Sunday visitors at William Wall's.

Prof. Renner and family attended the Chili picnic near Coshocton, last Saturday.

Weldon, Howard and Lawrence Myers of Cleveland, spent Sunday with their sister, Mrs. Eyster. Every one greatly enjoyed their music at church Sunday morning and evening.

Sunday evening Miss Whorley of Cleveland, gave an interesting address on the work being done in China by the missionaries.

Lee Smith and family and Harry Kaiser drove to Elyria Sunday, to visit Mr. Kaiser's parents.

The new concrete walk is partly laid from the hall to the school house.

The Rothrock reunion was held at the town hall Saturday. Sixty-four were present, three from Ontario and one from Ada.

J. Metzgar, Fort Wayne, Ind., is visiting his cousin, Mrs. S. Rothrock. Born to V. Swaina and wife, Aug. 11, a son.

The Euclid reunion will be held Wednesday, Aug. 26, at the town hall. Dr. G. H. Long attended the meeting of the Sixth Council District which was held at Brady's Lake last week.

Elvin Low of Alabama is calling on Copley friends.

William McFarlin and family of Cleveland, spent Sunday at H. M. Low's.

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Carrie E. Houts, by her
45-6 Attorney, J. W. Seymour

WEST GUILFORD
David Fulton and wife of Wadsworth were visiting at Frank Tottons. Clark Crawford and family of Cleveland were visiting at his mother's, Mrs. Fanny Crawford's. Mrs. Ruth Colburn and John Walker and family were visiting at Wadsworth at the home of Carline Curtis. Medurin Colburn and wife were visiting at Wadsworth at the home of Herschel Clark. Miss Bernice Hosmer is spending a week at Smithville at the home of Maud Gilbert. Mr. John Reifner was calling on sister, brother and friends in Sterling Sunday. Addison Siemones and wife of Sterling were visiting at William Hosmer's. Mrs. Mary Overdaff spent a week at her aunt's, Mrs. Hannah Frets at Wooster.

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